

Benefits and Challenges of the Acute Care Behavioral Health Financial Carve Out



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Benefits:

1. Dedicated, clearly identified funding.
2. Dedicated system management with expertise in behavioral health.
3. Ease of administration for BH Providers – working with one administrative entity.
4. Opportunity for centers for excellence.



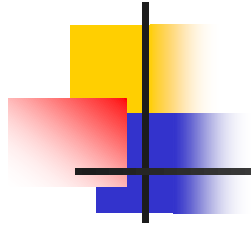
Challenges:

1. Financial incentives misaligned in regards to clinical integration/care coordination.
2. Members have to access two systems of care.
3. Service delivery system not designed to adequately serve Members with both chronic behavioral health and medical conditions.

Administrative Efforts to reduce challenges:



1. Primary Care management of mild depression, anxiety and ADHD.
2. Integrated care codes.



Questions?